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Legislative Counsel

MEMORANDUM FOR: National Foreign Intelligence Community

FROM

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SUBJECT

: DCI Legislative Proposals

1. Earlier this year I noted that the DCI intended to pursue legislative proposals related to the Freedom of Information Act and to the unauthorized disclosure of the identities of intelligence personnel as distinct initiatives separate from the FY 1980 Intelligence Authorization Bill. Considerable progress has been made in this regard. The Office of Management and Budget currently is circulating within the Executive Branch draft legislation which would:

-- Amend the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 so as to afford the Intelligence Community significant relief from the FOIA.

-- Provide criminal penalties for the unauthorized disclosure of information identifying certain individuals engaged or assisting in foreign intelligence activities.

2. Your assistance in insuring prompt OMB receipt of expressions of support for these proposals would be most appreciated.

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